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PROF. L. F. MENCH SEES IDEAL TOWN IN ILLINOIS

Editor Standard: Have you ever heard, outside of Utah, of the city of the Saints? Well, there is such a city and it is located in Illinois, on the C. & E. I. railroad. All good and up-to-date things, you know, are coming out of the west and the middle west.

This city has about 6000 inhabitants—a little larger than Logan or Provo—and is certainly a model town, worthy of the name, even if that name is a nickname. Small as it is, it has 18 miles of paved streets, some asphalt but mostly brick and cement. It has a city building which cost \$100,000, an effective fire company, an excellent water system valued at \$100,000, three fine parks, a telephone and electric light system, a college erected at a cost of \$100,000, seven brick and stone churches, valued at \$150,000, a Carnegie library, equal to ours, and containing a fine selection of books, papers and magazines. It has seven manufacturing establishments valued at \$1,250,000, and in which on an average of 1500 hands are employed, covering an output estimated at \$2,500,000 a year. The pay roll is estimated on an average of \$482,000 a year, nearly every cent of which is spent in the town. The result is the town has the most beautiful buildings, public and private, for its size of any town it has been my lot to pass through; and the best of all is these houses are nearly all owned by the people who inhabit them. The streets also are broad and clean.

Now, Mr. Editor, you no doubt would like to know the cause of this great prosperity and this ideal condition of things. Let me tell you then the second in two words—no saloons. Further let me also tell you in a few words how it was all brought about.

The little village was settled in the year 1871 with all the frontier civilization of the west—the pioneer saloon. The result of drunkenness, arson, murder and debauchery, the inevitable outgrowth of saloons—so distasteful to some of the leading and better classes of citizens, that they resolved, when a city charter was at last granted, to abolish the saloon element. This happened in the year 1877, so that for 36 years this town has withstood all efforts to establish saloons within its confines. Herein then lies the answer to this question. Capitalists are ready to invest their money here, because the men employed to operate the factories are sober, industrious and reliable, and when paid their salaries on Saturday evening are ready to commence work on the following Monday again.

This reminds the author of this article of an incident that transpired in the year 1896, while at Sacramento, when Coxe's army was marching through, 1000 strong, begging for food and cast-off clothing while pursuing their long and weary march on their way to Washington. While watching the parade from the veranda of a hotel, the writer asked the proprietor why he did not employ his white brethren in place of Japs and Chinamen which everywhere were in evidence, not only in the hotel, but on the farms and workshops as well. It happened to be Saturday evening. The proprietor answered:

"Now, mister, tomorrow morning you will want your breakfast and then you will want your room attended to and general services rendered. The fact is if we employ the white element, almost as a rule, when we pay them off on Saturday evening, we do not see them again until the last cent is spent for drink and then they come back with befogged brain, a bleared eye, a thick tongue, in short often a nervous wreck, unsteady and unreliable for any responsible position. No so with our Japs and Chinamen. When we pay them

off on Saturday evening we can fully depend upon their return again the morning following, and they are as ready to go on with as clear a brain and as steady a nerve as they were before they received their pay."

Here then is the solution why capitalists are ready to invest their money here, and why the town makes such a splendid showing. The working man besides being sober, reliable and industrious, spends his money for the comforts and improvement of his home, for the happiness and prosperity of his family circle, besides possessing those splendid qualities, a sober, noble citizen of the country in which he lives.

In addition to this, the town does not owe one dollar, while the taxes are only about one-half of those of towns of a corresponding size, where the saloon element predominates. The reason of this is again apparent. In place of spending a large sum of money for a police force only one man is employed and needed to enforce law and order. In short it reminds one of the answer to Mark Twain, when he asked in a western town who was the laziest man of the town and the answer was the policeman for he virtually had nothing to do.

Further, one of the best men of the town is elected for mayor, and he receives for his compensation \$1 a year while the councilmen receive 50c each year; all serving not for the pay, but for the good of the community and the prosperity of the town. Politics, therefore, does not run very high and men do not vilify and traduce their neighbors for the sake of political aspirations.

The name I have mentioned is its nickname, but truly an appropriation; its real name is Hoopston, Ill., about 100 miles from Chicago. Very respectfully,

(Signed) L. T. MOENCH.

BASEBALL

AMERICANS WIN IN CHICAGO SERIES.

Chicago, Oct. 12.—Joe Benz pitched invincible ball yesterday for the Chicago Americans against the Chicago Nationals and the former gained a full game over their opponents for the title of city champions. The score was 2 to 0 and the battle went eleven innings before the contest was decided. Over twenty-seven thousand persons saw the game.

Owner Comiskey's team put across the runs in the eleventh inning. Lord opened that inning with a double into the crowd and Hal Chase sent him to third on a beautiful sacrifice. Collins batted in the pinch and was a victim of Cheney's benders. Collins, the batting hero of the game, came forth with all the confidence in the world and when Lord got the signal for a hit and run play, Collins swung and drove the ball to left center for a single which counted the American club captain. This also was Collins' fourth hit of the game, he having made two doubles and a single prior to the winning hit in the eleventh.

Fourier followed with a single which sent Collins to third, and when the two American leaguers worked a double steal, Fourier was perched on second and Collins had counted. Fourier, in his anxiety to make third, was caught at that base by Zimmerman, who received Archer's perfect throw, retiring the side. The official count of those present was 27,427. The total receipts were \$18,577.25; the commission share \$1,897.72, and each club will receive \$8,537.76. The players ceased to share yesterday. Score: Americans... 000 000 000 02-0 Nationals... 000 000 000 00-0

Summary—Two-base hits—Collins 2, Ever, Berger, Lord. Three-base hits—Lord. Sacrifices—Chase, Stolen bases—Collins, Fourier. Left on bases—Americans 7, Nationals 3. Bases on balls—Off Cheney 1. Struck out—By Cheney 8, by Benz 9. Time of game, 2 hours. Umpires—D'Day behind plate; Sheridan on bases; Orth in right field; O'Loughlin in left field.

Doubleheader Divided. St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 12.—The local Americans won both games of a doubleheader from the Nationals here yesterday in the series to decide the city championship. They took the first game by a score of 7 to 6, in the next contest the teams stood six to two when the game was called in the sixth inning on account of darkness. The American league team now has won three games and the Nationals two. A sixth game resulted in a tie.

First game score: Americans... 001 200 022-7 Nationals... 000 501 000-6 Second game: Americans... 000 020-0 Nationals... 020 000-6 (Game called account darkness in sixth.)

Summary—Two-base hits—Bisland. Three-base hit—Pratt. Stolen bases—Wares. Double play—Leverenz, Bisland and Pratt. Passed balls—Synder 2. Base on balls—Off Leverenz 3, off Perritt 1. Struck out—By Leverenz 3, by Perritt 2. Left on bases—Nationals 8, Americans 4. Time—1:30. Umpires—Brennan and Hildebrand.

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FEDERAL LEADERS LACK ABILITY

Retreat a Mistake—General Alvarez and His Force Were Annihilated.

Mexico City, Oct. 12.—The Interior department received a telegram yesterday from San Luis Potosi, which describes the evacuation of Torreon to the incapacity of the Federal leaders.

"Several Spaniards," says the telegram, "have arrived here from Torreon. They admit that the retreat of the federals was due to the inaptitude of their leaders. The authorities had more than sufficient resources to defend the city for a long time. They believe the government can recover control of the whole region with the forces which now are concentrated at Toluca (to the eastward of Torreon) and which it is about to send there."

Only Three Escape. A witness of the engagement in which General Alvarez was killed and his force annihilated, says that only three persons escaped, a captain, a sergeant and a private. General Alvarez left Torreon with 400 men and a battery of artillery. General Argumido followed a short distance behind with two hundred men.

When Alvarez was ambushed by 4000 rebels under General Francisco Villa, a former bandit—known as "Pancho"—the rebels poured in between him and Argumido separating the federal forces. General Alvarez saw himself hopelessly surrounded and his men being shot down on all sides. When only half a dozen men were left the federal commander broke his sword, sat on his horse and waited until the rebel bullets put an end to his life.

Villa ordered his men to take the body of Alvarez into Torreon. There it was suspended from a telegraph pole in a conspicuous place in the center of the city.

Grizzlies Defeat Brewers.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 12.—In one of the best games ever played here, the Denver Grizzlies, champions of the Western League, defeated the Milwaukee Brewers, pennant winners of the American association, by a score of 3 to 2. A single error for Milwaukee was the total for both teams. Milwaukee scored one run in the opening inning. In the third Cheney's two bagger scored Gilmore with Denver's first run. In the sixth Quillen's three-bagger scored Chanuel, and afterwards Quillen beat the throw into home plate. In the ninth Jones singled, reached third on Gilbert's sacrifice, scoring Milwaukee's second run. Score:

R.H.E.
Denver... 3 9 0
Milwaukee... 2 8 1
Batteries—Hagerman and Block; Hovik, Cutting and Hughes.

YOKEL AND JORDAN ARE TO SIGN TODAY

Forfeit money, \$500 each, will be posted today by Mike Yokel and Chris Jordan to insure their appearance and their 138-pound weight at their return match for the world's middleweight wrestling championship. The match will be pulled off Monday October 27, at the Auditorium in Richards street, Salt Lake.

The forthcoming bout will be the most important mat battle Salt Lake fans will see for a long time to come. Last summer Jordan took the world title away from Yokel at Majestic park, and Mike has been eager for a chance to get it back. The promoter of the match, Fred C. Crabbe, hangs up \$3000 for the men. Of this purse \$2000 goes to Jordan, as the title holder, and \$1000 goes to Yokel. An optional agreement is to the effect that the wrestlers may take 75 per cent of the gross in lieu of the \$3000. Crabbe says the Auditorium will be equipped with seats to accommodate 6000 spectators. Billy Hughes has been chosen referee.

Yokel has a match with Bred Beal at Duluth on November 4, and another with Joe Carr at Minneapolis, probably on November 11.

Both wrestlers took a run into the hills yesterday.

MAGAZINE WRITER FINALLY RELEASED

Eagle Pass, Tex., Oct. 12.—Arthur Temple, staff writer for a New York magazine, was released yesterday after arrest in Piedras Negras, Mex.

on a charge of making editions statements alleged to have been printed in the publication for which he writes. Consul Blocker was instrumental in securing his release which is said to have been conditional on his departure from Mexico and a promise that he would say nothing further about the revolution. More than half the federal garrison in Piedras Negras went south yesterday afternoon, presumably to meet rebels reported advancing from Fuent and Hacienda Guadalupe. Piedras Negras has been almost depopulated by rumors of coming troubles.

WOMEN GOLFERS IN OPENING ROUND

Wilmington, Del., Oct. 12.—Fair weather favored the women golf players who today participated at the Wilmington country club in the opening round for the championship of America and the Robert Cox trophy, which goes with the title.

WILL RETIRE FROM COMMISSION

Washington, Oct. 12.—Charles A. Prouty will retire in the near future as a member of the interstate commerce commission, to become director of the physical valuation of railways. No formal announcement has been made, but arrangements for the change have been completed with the

interstate commerce commission and with President Wilson with whom Judge Prouty had a conference today.

EX-CHAMPIONS IN TEN ROUND GO

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 12.—Battling Nelson will tonight attempt to wipe out the sting of defeat suffered at the hands of pugilist Ad Wolgast some five years. These former champion lightweight boxers are billed to go ten rounds in a no-decision contest. They will weigh in at 133 pounds at 6 p. m.

AVIATORS RACE FOR SILVER CUPS

New York, Oct. 13.—Fair weather with only light or moderate winds promised to make possible the proposed attempt of thirteen aviators to fly around Manhattan Island this afternoon in a race for silver cups offered by the Aeronautical society and several large cash prizes.

The list of entries was as follows: C. Murwin Wood, J. Guy Gilpatrick, Allen Adams, Frank Burnside, W. S. Luckey, Frank Niles, Tony Jannus.

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